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DIVISION OF OIL, GAS & MINING Date:

August 27, 1990

Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining 355 W. North Temple 3 Triad, Suite 350 Salt Lake City, UT 84180-1203 Attn: Anthony Gallegos

Dear Tony:

Enclosed, is a copy of a proposed plan of operations submitted to the Burley Ranger District, Sawtooth National Forest by Mr. William Bown on August 13, 1990. In the operating plan, Mr. Bown proposes to quarry building stone and house workers on a seasonal basis. The proposed operation is in T.13 N., R.16 W. section 14, Box Elder County.

Mr. Bown has operated at this site for many years under a special use permit from the Forest Service. Until recently, all building stone on the Sawtooth National Forest was considered to be a common variety, salable material. This summer our Forest Geologist reviewed the building stone quarries under special use permit on the Burley District. The stone found at the Bown's quarry was determined to be locatable under the existing mining laws. This change in status requires the Forest Service to rescind the special use permit and the operator to submit an operating plan which will be administered under our CFR 228-A regulations. A copy of the Geologist's report is also included for your review.

We have scheduled an on site review of the operator's proposal for August 31, 1990. You are invited to attend this review. We anticipate being on site at approximately 10:30 a.m.

We would appreciate your review of the operating plan and any comments you might have. Please feel free to give me or Larry Randall, District Minerals Administrator a call at (208) 678-0430 if you have any questions.

Sincerely.

JERRY L. GREEN District Ranger

